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RE: ASOCIACION DE VETERANOS
DE BAHIA DE COCHINOS,
BRIGADA 2506
(ASSOCIATION OF VETERANS OF THE
BAY OF PIGS. BRIGADE 2506)



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On August 22, 1963, BERNARDO G. DE TORRES ALVAREZ,
Military Director of the Association of Veterans of the Bay
of Pigs, Brigade 2506, was interviewed at the office of the
group, 109 S. W. 17th Avenue, Miami, Florida.

DE TORRES advised that he is a permanent resident
of the United States having come to this country from Cuba
in 1955. He stated he had participated in the invasion of
Cuba at the Bay of Pigs in April 1961. He stated he was
born in Cuba on March 26, 1934.

Mr. DE TORRES stated that this organization has been
recruiting people for some future time when it is hoped that
they can be utilized in the fight to overthrow the CASTRO
regime. He said that the recruitment program was initiated
about two or three weeks ago for the purpose of determining
the number of men available, qualifications and military
experience as well as other pertinent items regarding their
background including their home address and means by which
they may be contacted.

Mr. DE TORRES advised the present expectation was
for the establishment of a base for the training of Cuban

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exiles in some country in Central America, possibly Nicaragua, and that it is anticipated that if arrangements for this base are perfected, it will then be possible, through the use of the list of individuals recruited, to contact the greatest possible number of available personnel in the shortest period of time. He stated that there is presently no training base set up by his organization nor are there any plans to inaugurate a training program in the United States.

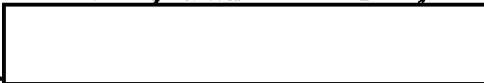
DE TORRES said that in addition to veterans of the Bay of Pigs invasion, the organization is accepting applications for recruitment from anyone presenting themselves at the office and have even accepted some applications from Americans who have volunteered their services although they do not intend to utilize any but Cubans.

Mr. DE TORRES furnished a copy of the recruitment application, an English translation of which is set forth below:

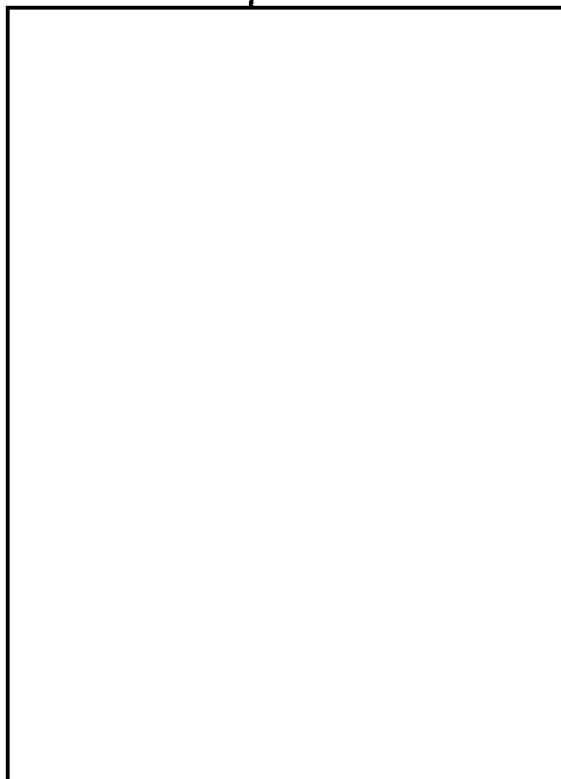
"PLAN OF RECRUITMENT FOR THE
LIBERATION OF CUBA

- "1. First family name, second family name, given name.
- "2. Native of _____ Province _____.
- "3. Parents.
- "4. Date of birth and civil status.
- "5. Address and telephone number.

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"which I have incurred, swear before God to obey the orders which emanate from the superior officers to whom I am assigned and to guard with absolute discretion all information of whatever nature which is confided in me"

There is a place for the signature of the recruiter and the recruit.

DE TORRES stated that the organization has an office in New York and Key West but that they are only accepting applications for enlistment in the Miami office. He also pointed out that there is no plan to utilize any of the men recruited unless the base in Central America can be established.

DE TORRES advised the

of the Association.

DE TORRES stated that he is the other principal officer of the group and that the following are members of the Board of Directors of the Association:

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- "6. References.
- "7. Person to be notified in case of an accident.
- "8. Date of entry into the country.
- "9. Status in this country.
- "10. Parole and passport number.
- "11. Profession, occupation or specialty.
- "12. Indicate in the space provided which of the following military activities in which you would like to serve: Navy, Aviation, Infantry, Parachutist, Tanks, Infiltration, Commandos, Frogmen, Guerrilla, or specify others.
- "13. Military or revolutionary experience.
- "14. Indicate when you are disposed to be mobilized.
- "15. Any physical defect or limitation.
- "16. Comments.

The application contains the following paragraph at the bottom:

"I (name) in good faith and conscious of the responsibility